MODIFIED PTO/SB/08a (09-08)

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT BY APPLICANT

(Not for submission under 37 CFR 1.99)

	MODIFIED F TO/OB/CCG (CC CC)
Application Number	10/508,859
Filing Date	December 21, 2004
First Named Inventor	Yoshiyuki OGUCHI
Art Unit	2871
Examiner Name	Nathanael R. Briggs
Attorney Docket Number	Q83325

					U.S. PATEN	TS			
Examiner Initials*	Cite No	Patent Number	Kind (Code ¹	Issue Date	Name of Paten Applicant of cited D		Where Relev	olumns, Lines, vant Passages or Figures Appear
			U.S. PA	TENT	APPLICATIO	N PUBLICATIONS			
Examiner Initials* Cite No Publication Number		er Kind	Code ¹	Publication Date	Name of Patentee or Applicant of cited Document		Pages, Columns, Lines, Where Relevant Passages o Relevant Figures Appear		
			FC	OREIG	N PATENT D	OCUMENTS			
Examiner Initials*	Cite No	Foreign Document Number ³	Country Code ²	Kind Code ⁴	Publication Date	Name of Patentee or Applicant of cited Document	Pages, Columns, Lines, Where Relevant Passages or Relevant Figures Appear		T⁵
	1	1 072 932	EP	A2	2001-01-31	Canon Kabushiki Kaisha			

NON-PATENT LITERATURE DOCUMENTS					
Examiner Initials*	Cite No	Include name of the author (in CAPITAL LETTERS), title of the article (when appropriate), title of the item (book, magazine, journal, serial, symposium, catalog, etc.), date, page(s), volume-issue number(s), publisher, city, and/or country where published.	T ⁵		

EXAMINER SIGNATURE				
Examiner Signature	Date Considered			

^{*}EXAMINER: Initial if reference considered, whether or not citation is in conformance with MPEP 609. Draw line through a citation if not in conformance and not considered. Include copy of this form with next communication to applicant.

¹ See Kind Codes of USPTO Patent Documents at www.USPTO.GOV or MPEP 901.04. 2 Enter office that issued the document, by the two-letter code (WIPO Standard ST.3). 3 For Japanese patent documents, the indication of the year of the reign of the Emperor must precede the serial number of the patent document. 4 Kind of document by the appropriate symbols as indicated on the document under WIPO Standard ST.16 if possible. 5 Applicant is to place a check mark here if English language translation is attached.